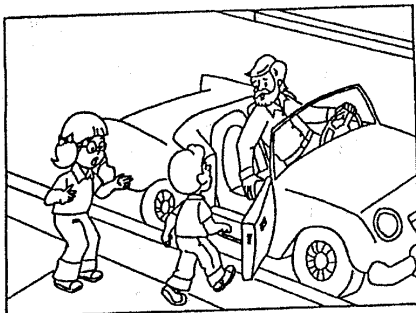


## Who Is A Stranger?

- ♥ A stranger is someone that you don't know.
- ♥ Most strangers will not try to harm you, but some strangers are dangerous, even if they dress nice or look friendly.

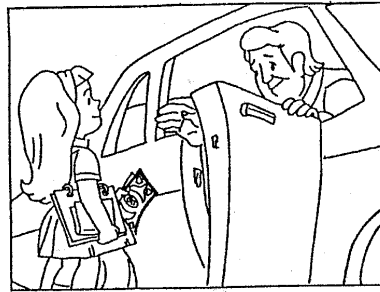
**Never take rides, candy, gifts or money from strangers. It's O.K. to say "NO THANK YOU."**

- ♥ Always report to a police officer, a parent, a teacher or any adult you know if a stranger:
  - ♥ Tries to join in your play.
  - ♥ Asks you to go with him/her.
  - ♥ Asks you to help them find a lost animal or asks you if you want to see their pet.
  - ♥ Tries to have a conversation with you or touch you while you are at the movies, playground, or walking anywhere.
  - ♥ Offers you a ride, candy, gum or money.
- ♥ Always try to get a full description of the stranger.
- ♥ If you see a suspicious car, take down the license number with a pencil and paper, write it in the dirt or on the sidewalk with a stick or stone.



**If you don't know, don't go!**

## Children... Beware of Strangers



## Watch out for Stranger Danger

### Parents...Teach Your Children:

- ♥ Their full name, address and phone number, including area code.
- ♥ Your full name, where you work and phone number.
- ♥ Your **Secret Password** – A word known only by you and your child.
- ♥ Never to go with anyone who does not give your Secret Password.
- ♥ A police officer is his/her friend.
- ♥ To scream "**HELP!**" or "**FIRE!**" if they are in trouble.
- ♥ How to make a long distance call, get the operator, and dial 911.

### Children...Remember Stranger Danger rules:

- ♥ **SAY NO!**
- ♥ **GET AWAY!**
- ♥ **TELL SOMEONE!**
- ♥ **SOMETIMES YOU NEED TO YELL!**

## Play in safe places with friends



### Play Safe!

- ♥ Never play in alleys or deserted buildings.
- ♥ Take a friend along when you go to playgrounds, stores, movies, etc.
- ♥ Come home before dark.
- ♥ Never go anywhere unless you have your parent's permission and Secret Password.



**Never, never play in  
strange places**

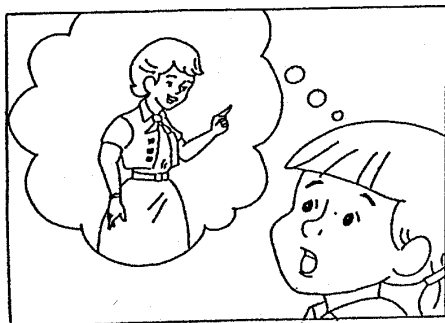
## Let Mommy or Daddy know where you are



### Telephone Tips!

- ♥ Phone home to tell your parents where you are if you change locations or will be late.
- ♥ Never tell a caller that you are home alone.
- ♥ Dial 911 if you are home alone and need help in an emergency.

## Remember...I always ask before I go



## Attention Mom and Dad

This pamphlet is to aid you as parents in teaching your child about the problem of the potential child molester. As parents, we have a role in this problem. The child needs to know some very basic steps in avoiding this situation, without frightening the child unnecessarily.

The child is taught through STRANGER DANGER that a stranger is just someone they don't know. They learn how to tell the difference between a good stranger and STRANGER DANGER.

STRANGER DANGER will try to trick the child using a toy, money, candy or anything else they might think of. They will also try to take the child away from the places where they play.

We hope this pamphlet can be used as a valuable tool for the child when aided by mom and dad.

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